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GENEROUS GIFTS TO BRITAIN

Canberra, Mar. 5.
The Labour Party in Parliament today approved an Australian Government proposal to make a gift of £25,000,000 to Britain as Australia's contribution to the Pacific War costs.

It is believed that New Zealand, following Australia's example, will make a similar gift, United Press.

Marshall Off To Moscow

Washington, Mar. 5.
The Secretary of State, Gen. George C. Marshall, accompanied by a staff of only five experts, boarded a special Army plane this morning and was scheduled to hop off at 9 a.m. EST for the Big Four meeting in Moscow.

Gen. Marshall believes the first month of the talks will indicate whether the conference can complete its work. If it appears to be headed for additional long weeks of squabbles, Gen. Marshall will suggest the Big Four recess until September and then try again.

The Moscow agenda, as finally agreed, includes discussion of the disarmament and demilitarization of Germany, future boundaries, reparations, form of the future German state, pooling of Germany for 25 to 40 years, merging of the four present zones into one economic unit and distribution of Germany's foreign assets among the wartime Allies. —United Press.

NEW CHIEF IN INDO-CHINA

Paris, Mar. 5.
Emere Bollard, former Prefect of Lyons, was named today by Premier Paul Ramadier as High Commissioner to Indo-China replacing Admiral Thierry d'Argeville.

The nomination of a civilian was considered here as a conciliatory gesture to the Annamite people.

The Cabinet communiqué did not say d'Argeville had resigned. It stated "The Council of Ministers believes it would be better if the task of carrying out its policy in Indo-China were confided to a Parliamentary personality." —United Press.

Full House Signs At Police Cells

China's financial plight gave the Water Police their worst headache in months yesterday as frantic telephone calls over the evening on the question of lock-up accommodation at various police stations followed the discovery that 112 men, women and minors arrested for illegally boarding the ss. "Hiram" did not have enough Hong Kong currency to bail themselves out.

The crowd who boarded the "Hiram" in the hope of obtaining passage to Swatow had no Hong Kong notes, not having foreseen a change of illegal boarding. Uncertain whether Hong Kong currency would not be called in at Swatow as foreign currency, they had invested their all in purchases of all sorts and in purchases of tinny cigarettes particularly.

They had baggage enough to obstruct all passages on the spacious front verandah of the Water Police Station at Tsimshatsui, where it lay yesterday evening. They even had Chinese National currency, but no Hong Kong notes, the only tender in which bail could be accepted.

Stations were being called last night in quest of accommodation. Fifty were sent to Central to pass the night. Attempts were being made to find room for some at other stations. "Short of the New Territories, every station in Hong Kong and Kowloon will have to share these people tonight," a police inspector said. —China Mail.

The "Hiram" loaded the Police Station at 10.50 a.m. yesterday. Police launched had hardly begun work when the "Hiram" was loaded with over 1000 passengers. —China Mail.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REFORM APPROVED IN LONDON

Important Constitutional Changes

Formal Statement In House Of Commons

Approval of Legislative Council reform and of the creation of a Municipal Council in Hong Kong was formally announced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon by Mr. Creech-Jones, the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

The text of the statement was released in Hong Kong more or less simultaneously.

Legislative Council is to have eight Unofficial members and seven Official members, giving a nominal Unofficial majority of one. While the statement makes no reference to the point, it is inferred that His Excellency the Governor retains the power of veto on an issue of crucial importance, by the exercise of a casting vote. Fuller details are awaited; but it is understood that the proposals for the Municipal Council do not vary in important particulars from H.E. Sir Mark Young's plan of August last.

Text of the statement follows:
"On May 1 my predecessor announced in this House that H.M. Government had had under consideration means by which in Hong Kong as elsewhere in the Colonial Empire the inhabitants of the territory could be given a fuller and more responsible share in the management of their own affairs. It went on to say that it was thought that one possible method of achieving this end would be by handing over certain functions of internal administration to a Municipal Council constituted on a full representative basis, but that the Governor of Hong Kong had been asked thoroughly to examine these important issues in consultation with representatives of all sections of the communities in Hong Kong."

Municipal Council
The Governor and his advisers held these consultations and after considering other alternatives he came to the conclusion, with which I agree, that (a) a Municipal Council should be set up in Hong Kong on the widest representative basis possible. The majority of members will be elected and the Council will gradually assume many of the present functions of the Central Government as can appropriately be assigned to it. The Municipality will include Kowloon, but not that area of the New Territories outside Kowloon which, by reason of its rural character, is not entirely suitable for immediate inclusion in the area to be administered by the Municipal Council.

Legislative Council
(b) that the constitution of the Legislative Council should be modified with the object of securing on that body a more direct and a proportionately increased representation of the unofficial community. Under his recommendation, which I have accepted, the official members will be reduced to seven, and of eight unofficial members two will be directly nominated by the Municipal Council, and one each by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and the Unofficial Justices of the Peace. The remainder will continue to be nominated by the Governor.

H.M. Government are satisfied that these measures constitute the best means of achieving their genuine desire and intention to give the people of Hong Kong a practical and effective share in the management of their own affairs.

ARCTIC WEATHER STATIONS

Ottawa, Mar. 5.
The Canadian Government announced today that with the assistance of the United States and with the knowledge of the Soviet Union it will build the new Arctic weather stations in the next three years. The stations will be built in the Arctic region of Canada. —Associated Press.

EMBARGO ON RUSSIA?

Washington, Mar. 5.
Legislation to embargo all exports to Russia until Moscow makes "a satisfactory settlement" for the 95 Lend Lease merchant ships from the United States was introduced in the House by Representative Bradley, Republican of Michigan.

Bradley, who is chairman of the Merchant Marine Committee, told reporters that it would apply to private as well as Government shipments. Bradley said Russia has declined to discuss with the United States her intention to ship with respect to these ships which she obtained during the war. —Associated Press.

Canada To Speak For Herself

Ottawa, Mar. 5.
The Secretary of External Affairs told Parliament yesterday Canada would have her own foreign policy and not speak through Britain, even though she might fail to get all she wants in foreign councils.

Louis St. Laurent made a statement during the all-day debate centered around Canada's failure to obtain full role in shaping the German-Austrian peace treaties, principally because of Soviet objections.

As a possible way out of the difficulty, Veteran Howard Green proposed "We should take advantage of our membership in the British Empire... we fought as an empire and we should, make treaties in the same way."

Louis St. Laurent said he was "in very sharp disagreement" with Green's remarks. —Associated Press.

Communal Riots In Lahore

New Delhi, Mar. 4.
Communal riots flaring up through Lahore's walled city brought 80 deaths and injuries to 47 students and policemen today.

An 11-hour curfew was immediately imposed and troops were called out to prevent the situation from getting out of hand.

Hindu and Sikh followers of the late Mahatma who had been in all-India League meetings in the provinces in India, were in Lahore today. —Associated Press.

FANCY TIES FOR BRITONS

London, Mar. 5.
Britons find today they can wear some fancy new ties and not spend their precious clothing coupons for them. The neckties are advertised as "geographically correct" and are made from coloured Royal Air Force escape caps. The collars are of paper and are advertised as being "coupon free—no worn today by bankers, stockbrokers and members of parliament." —Associated Press.

Norwegian Ship Disaster

London, Mar. 4.
A Lloyds shipping intelligence telegram from the Seaforth radio today reports that the following has been received from the Norwegian motor vessel Bolivar: "Ship breaking in two. Crew now leaving."

The "Bolivar" had previously reported that it was grounded in the vicinity of the Nish Light, outside Dublin, and was requiring the immediate assistance of tugs. The tug "Bustler" is now proceeding to the Bolivar's assistance.

Lifeboats from Kingstown and Howth also went out tonight to the "Bolivar" (5,230 tons), which was on a voyage from Rosario to Oslo and carries twelve passengers and 39 crew. It is believed that the passengers include Lord Mountbatten (Evans of the Brooke), who commanded the "Broke" in the attack on Zebrugga in the first World War.

It had been feared that the "Bolivar", lashed by the heavy seas, might break her back, and the Lloyds intelligence confirmed the worst fears.

It was not known late tonight whether any of the passengers or crew had been injured, but ambulances were standing by pending the return of the lifeboats. —Reuter.

The Bill abolishes Petitions of Right and other ancient forms of civil proceedings by and against the Crown. Opposition speakers warmly welcomed the Bill which, they said, abolished injustice. —Reuter.

Mr. Glen A. Gilbert, chief of technical missions of the Civil Aeronautics Administration, revealed today he expects aerodromes in Japan to be handled by United States civil officials after occupation ends. —United Press.

Wild Weather's Final Flourish?

London, Mar. 5.
Red-faced weathermen having predicted that warm rain from the south today would bring on the thaw they forecast for yesterday—and South England was struck by the worst blizzard of the winter.

Road and rail traffic was in chaos today. Most highways and railroads were closed to traffic. Hundreds of thousands of Londoners were delayed hours in getting to and from work.

One train took 15 hours for a normally three-hour run from London to Brighton where the storm was accompanied by a 60-mile-an-hour gale. Trains that started for the capital yesterday were just drawing in at noon today.

The outlook officially was for a little more snow, a great deal of rain and the long-awaited thaw to end England's worst winter in 50 years.

An Air Ministry weather expert explained: "The thaw was late in arriving, we guess." Many people were stranded in icy railroad coaches all night. The dinner served coffee as long as it lasted. Traffic jams were reported all over London. One bus skidded and crashed and held up 60 trolley buses behind it for hours.

The thaw, meanwhile, reached Scilly Isles where the temperature rose to 49 degrees Fahrenheit. In London at noon it was above freezing.

Heavy Seas
Coal production hold-ups were reported from many open pits and heavy snow interfered with rail shipments while heavy seas hampered coastal ships. Underground miners continued to work.

London airport was closed after a blizzard and snow had frozen hard to runways but airplanes were landing and taking off from Croydon's grass runways normally. All early morning services except one to Lisbon, however, were delayed owing to fog.

Today, with streets and parks covered with up to a foot of snow the suburb of Bexley chose to announce a 100 per cent increase in outdoor swimming pool rates for this summer. A village in Lincolnshire, Normanby-le-Wold, cut off by deep snow for a month, was freed yesterday just in time to get snowed in again.

Near-Hurricane
At Brighton, roof slates and chimney bricks were ripped off.

THE WEATHER
An anticyclone is forecast over NW China. Regular depressions in the Yellow Sea and the Gulf of Tonkin are moving eastward.

Today's Forecast—Light or moderate E. winds, weather dull and foggy with periods of rain.

Yesterday's Temperature—Maximum 64.6 deg. F. Minimum 54.4 deg. F. Sunshine Nil. Rainfall 13.3 mm. Total since Jan. 1—709.2 mm. as against an average of 89.4 mm.

Readings at 10 a.m. 10 p.m.
Bar. at msl. 1007.5 1004.2 mb.
Rel. Humidity 88 98 %
Sea Wind 25 22 deg. F.
Wind Direction E E Calm
Wind Force 18 0 knots.

BABY REVELATION IN MURDER TRIAL

Bristol, Mar. 4.

A Bristol wife's passion for another man was alleged by the prosecution at the Bristol trial today to have been the motive for the killing of Cecil George Cornock at his home, Wellington Hill, West Henleaze, Bristol, on December 7.

Cornock was found dead in the bath tub and his wife, Mrs. Rosina Cornock, (34) is on trial on a charge of murdering him. She pleaded not guilty.

The prosecuting counsel revealed that Mrs. Cornock, who had said she had had no normal relations with her husband for many years, was found in Cardiff jail to be expecting a baby—a fact of paramount importance in the case, he said.

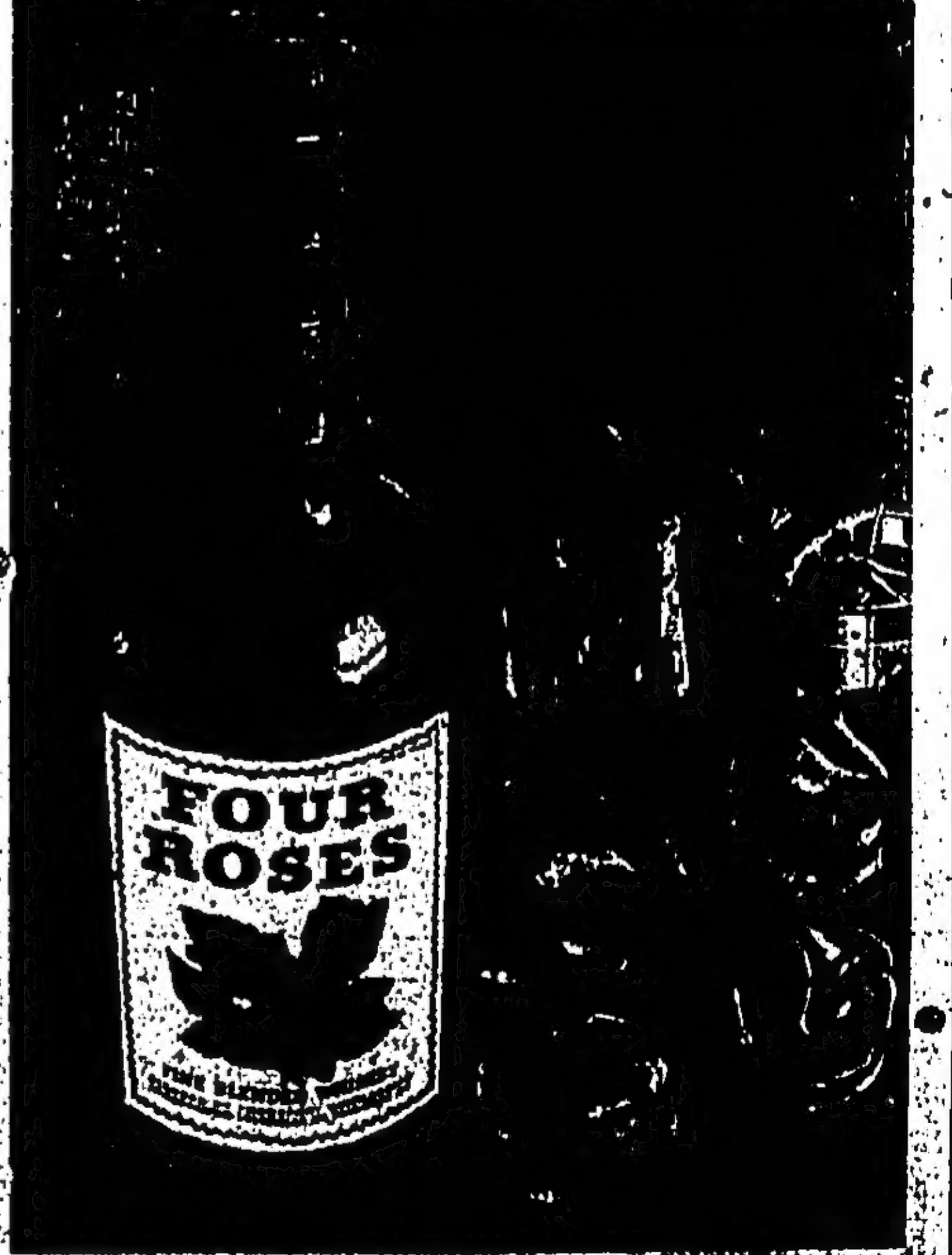
Mr. G.D. Roberts, KC, prosecuting, told the jury: "The case for the prosecution is that the motive for the murder was the passion this woman entertained for another man, one Gilbert Kenneth Bedford, a cripple who lived at Bath. According to Mrs. Cornock she and Bedford in August 1946."

"With the consent of the dead man, Bedford began to come to his Cornock home for weekends. While searching the house after the dead man had been found, the police discovered a pile of correspondence between Mrs. Cornock and Bedford."

"Violent Passion"
It was the prosecution's submission that these two entertained on them.

Hindu and Sikh business men shut their shops in protest against the all-India League meeting in the provinces in India, which was held today in Lahore. —Associated Press.

HEIRSS WED
Zurich, Mar. 4.
Barbara Hutton, the 47,000,000 Woolworth heiress, left the Golden Hotel here today by train for an unknown destination. Her second marriage, Prince Louis Mountbatten, was on the agenda. —Associated Press.



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in the circumstances, considering Dr. Chan was by no means alleged to be a hardened criminal, but was alleged to be an intelligent, educated professional man who had, through negligence, done wrong, and was not charged against the plaintiff, appearing in the second of the Crown's case against the jury of a sum-

The ambulance was called and the two wounded men sent to hospital where, according to the statement of Dr. Ouwain Smith, one of them died within 20 minutes as the result of a

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FUTURE UNIVERSITY

Important Plans Under Discussion

A very strong and influential committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, after careful discussion of the future of the University of Hong Kong, made proposals of wide scope for extension and development and these proposals are now being considered by His Majesty's Government in Great Britain.

Until this issue has been decided the greater part of the formal organization of the University is in suspense. At the same time, it was necessary that provision should be made for the further education of young people who had completed their work in schools, as well as to provide finishing courses for students who had pursued their medical studies in China during the war.

The chief task is to build up courses of the University from year to year to ensure that when the developments hoped for can begin there will be a solid foundation for them.

In order to provide the necessary supervision of courses the Governor, as Chancellor of the University, set up in Hong Kong an interim committee which exercises in general the functions of a University Senate. Such financial resources as the University had at the end of hostilities were in London. It was necessary to use these and a sum of money made available

by His Majesty's Treasury, to pay the debts of the University, during the interim and to provide funds for superannuation payments to men retiring and to the dependents of those who died in or during the war.

To provide the requisite authority for the spending of University funds, the Hong Kong University Provisional Powers Committee was set up by an Order in Council, and was given complete control of the funds and property of the University.

After paying the legal debts of the University its chief functions were to find men to occupy vacant posts in the University and to purchase equipment for science, engineering and medical laboratories, all of which had been looted and destroyed during the Japanese occupation.

The Committee set up in London consisted of the Hon. Mr. Arthur Morse, Mr. Sydney Cairne and Miss M. Ruston of the Colonial Office, and Mr. D. J. Sloss. Since both Mr. Morse and Mr. Sloss have returned to the Colony it has been thought expedient to transfer the activities of the Provisional Powers Committee to Hong Kong.

Mr. Cairne and Miss Ruston have resigned after giving aid of the highest value to the Committee and to the University, and in their places the Secretary of State has appointed the Hon. Dr. S. N. Chan, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Follows, C.M.G. and Professor R. K. M. Simpson, M.C.

This Committee, for the time being, will carry on the functions of the Council of the University, the body which is charged with the administration of University affairs. It is hoped that the future shape of the University will be discernible at an early date.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Peninsula Hotel arrivals:—H. J. Wild, Mrs. A. W. Lo and C. August.

Peninsula Hotel departures:—I. Garner, Mrs. M. B. Hewitt, Mrs. A. E. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Laugel, E. T. McAllen, W. Balme, Mr. and Mrs. G. Nelson, W. B. Sherris, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Hastings, A. B. Denner, G. A. Griswold, Capt. and Mrs. I. H. Charneck, R. S. Garwood, J. B. Lynch, R. D. Sharpe, Mrs. E. D. E. Silver and Captain C. H. Pickin.

The Director of Medical Services announces that passengers leaving Hong Kong for Trans-Jordan should possess valid certificates of vaccination against smallpox.

MYSBERG CASE

Shanghai, Mar. 5. The local military authorities have referred the case against Mr. Frederick Mysberg (Dutch subject) direct to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, and no formal charges will be made pending receipt of instructions from the President.

The military authorities are holding Mr. Mysberg for questioning following a raid on Abia and Company, an alleged company of the American brokerage firm, Swann, Carter and Frith. He is being held in connection with alleged dealings in gold bars and foreign currencies.—Reuter.

ARMY SERGEANT SENTENCED

C/Sgt. Alfred Smiles, 22, who had pleaded guilty to possession of a large automatic pistol and 15 rounds of ammunition at 40 Queen's Road Central without a licence on Feb. 17, was sentenced by Mr. H. B. Sheldon, K.C., to eight months' imprisonment. Smiles claimed that the pistol was a war souvenir. In sentencing defendant, Mr. Sheldon said that he had taken into consideration the remarks made by his Company C.O.

TREASURY NOTICE

SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS AGAINST THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT BEFORE CLOSE OF FINANCIAL YEAR.

The Colony's financial year closes on the 31st March and all merchants and contractors are particularly requested to submit promptly to the Departments concerned any outstanding accounts for supplies and services to the Government, so as to ensure that payment is effected on or before the 31st March.

Payment of accounts submitted later than Monday the 17th March, 1947, may be considerably delayed.

H. R. HIRST, Accountant General. The Treasury, Hong Kong, 5th March, 1947.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

NOTICE

Tender for Laundry Service

It is hereby notified that tenders for Laundry Services for all hospitals and institutions under this department are invited.

Full particulars and procedure for tendering were published in the Government Gazette of the 28th February, 1947, Notification No. S.125 or can be obtained from the Secretary, Medical Department, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, first floor.

P. S. SELWYN-CLARKE, Director of Medical Services. Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1947.

GOVERNMENT STORES DEPARTMENT

NOTICE

Removal Of Sand

As the provisions of the Sand Ordinance are being contravened daily, the attention of the public is drawn to the extracts from the Ordinance published below.

It is the intention of the Authorities to apply the Ordinance vigorously and to prosecute anyone acting in contravention of its provisions.

SAND ORDINANCE NO. 50 OF 1935 Amended by No. 12 of 1938 Extracts

Para. 2 (1) — No person may take sand from any land, foreshore, or beach, not under lease from the Crown, without having previously obtained a written removal permit or sale and removal permit from the Controller of Stores applicable to such Sand.

Para. 3 (1) — No person may in any junk or lighter, or in any truck or lorry, bring into the Colony or remove from one part of the Colony to another any Sand, wherever obtained and ultimate destination, in excess of two hundredweights, unless he has in his possession a permit, issued under Section 2 (1) or a written removal permit from the Controller of Stores issued under this Section, applicable to such Sand.

Para. 4 — Any person who contravenes any provision of Section 2 (1), or Section 3 (1), or brings into the Colony or takes or removes more Sand than is prescribed by the permit or Sand from or to any place other than the place or places, if any prescribed in the permit, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months.

W. J. ANDERSON, Controller of Stores. Government Stores Department, Hong Kong, 5th March, 1947.

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NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of George Willoughby late of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Des Vieux Road Central, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, Chemist, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 24th day of March, 1947.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 27th day of February, 1947.

WILKINSON & GRIST,

Solicitors for the Administrator of the estate of the abovenamed deceased.

No. 2 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS of Joseph Edgar Joseph late of Prince's Building, Des Vieux Road Central Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 19th day of March, 1947.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 19th day of February, 1947.

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Dated the 4th day of March 1947.

WILKINSON & GRIST,

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NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

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THE BANK OF EAST ASIA LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the twenty eighth ordinary general meeting of The Bank of East Asia Limited will be held at the registered office of the Company, No. 10 Des Vieux Road Central, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 22nd day of March, 1947 at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of

following, namely, to receive and consider the annual statement of account and balance sheet, and the reports of the directors and auditors thereon; to elect directors and auditors in the place of those retiring, to sanction the declaration of a dividend and to transact the other ordinary business of the Company.

The transfer books and register of members of the Company will be closed from Saturday, the 16th day of March to Friday, the 28th day of March, 1947, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the same place, and on the same day, at 2.45 o'clock in the afternoon, or so soon afterwards as the ordinary general meeting shall have concluded, an extraordinary general meeting of the Company will be held, when the subjoined resolutions will be proposed as special resolutions:

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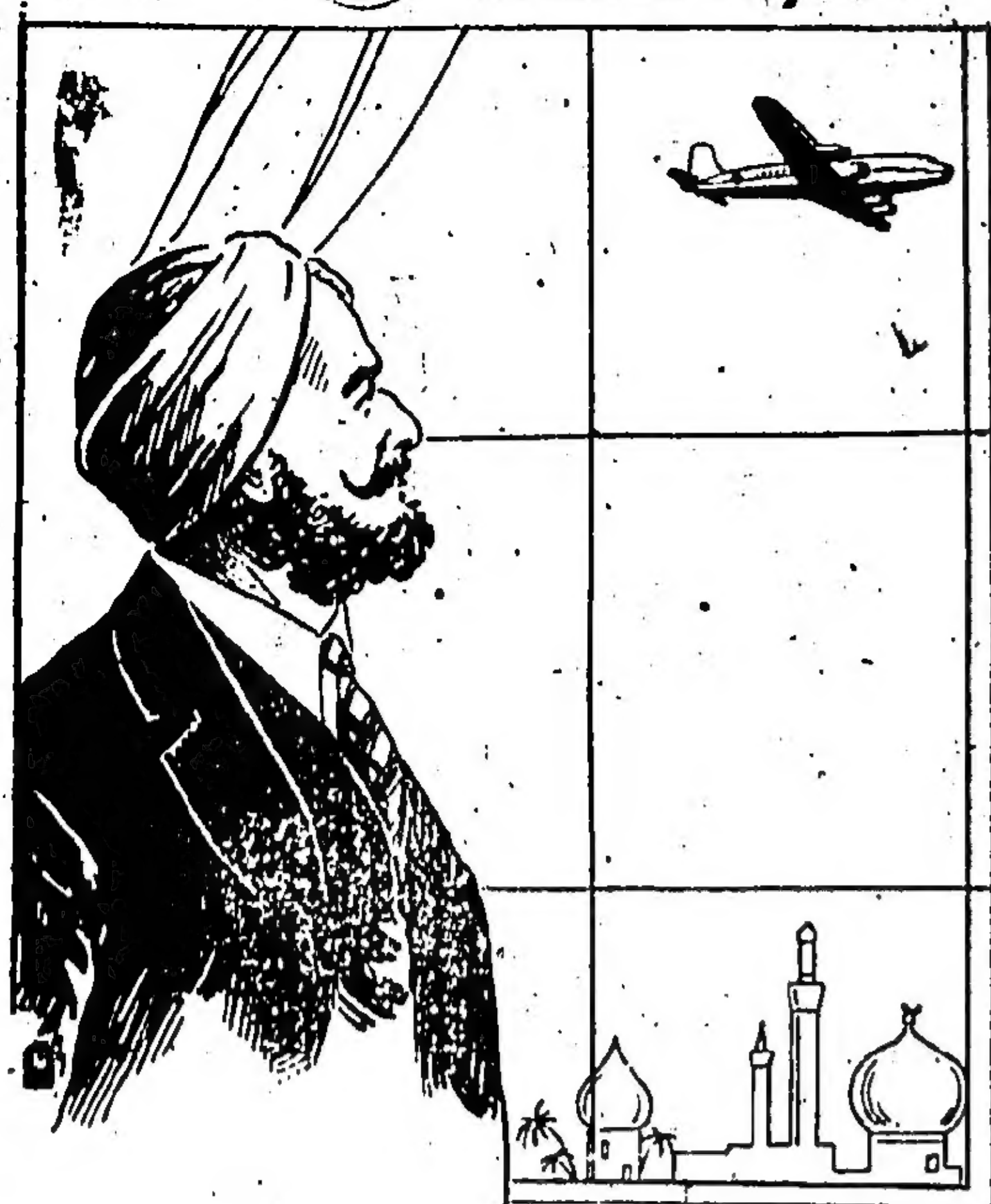
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Dunkirk, Mar. 4.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, speaking at the ceremony of the signing of the Anglo-French Treaty of Alliance this afternoon, said: "We are contributing the essential elements of a just and lasting peace. It goes with the justice of history that it should be on this ground of Dunkirk that this act takes place and that in the midst of so many ruins the phoenix of a better future should be given to our two peoples."

"In this treaty of alliance Britain and France have linked their fate together. The aim of this treaty is to achieve peace and security. The aim of this alliance is the establishment of a just and lasting peace, worthy of men. The British and French peoples are now united."

M. Bidault continued: "It is a great thing for the two peoples to feel that friendship and to know that we follow the same line of liberty and justice. The British and French Governments are today concluding a pact for 50 years. After having stood together in such trials, we shall now help the other in our reconstruction."

"We formerly met on many battlefields and were not always fighting on the same side but now we are united with the great allies, with the United States and Soviet Union and with those people who are sometimes called small and who are present in our assembly today."

M. Bidault continued: "Our two peoples have been united for generations for the preservation of the civilisation of the world. It is a symbol that the pact should be signed here at Dunkirk which merely seven years ago witnessed the greatest trial of our two peoples and the greatest hope for our common enemy when our armies were beaten, our future was in danger and we were endeavouring to reassemble the broken pieces of our forces to continue the fight. In spite of everything, the enemy was beaten and the allies have survived."

Mr. Bevin

The British Foreign Minister, Mr. Bevin, said in his speech at the ceremony: "I agree that this is truly a historic occasion and it is very gratifying to know that the Entente Cordiale which many years ago was signed has never really been broken between our two countries (applause). In fact, it can be said that the treaty of this day has been confirmed in blood in two great wars."

"I confess that between the two great wars misunderstandings might have arisen which allowed the resurgence of aggressive Germany. I speak for the new socialist Britain when I say that we will strive to avoid misunderstandings and we will strive to understand the new France."

"Never will we allow anything to happen that allows an aggressive Germany to arise to bring a repetition of the terrible devilish disaster which both of us have suffered (Applause)."

"Peace is not a thing that is embodied in treaties alone. Peace, rehabilitation, civilisation and development spring from the heart of men."

Mr. Bevin declared: "Britain has sometimes been described as a cool practical race and France as a very logical people. In our common consideration of our problems we now can combine the practical mind of Britain with the very logical, cultural and wonderful contribution that France can make (Applause)."

"I see so much in common between our two countries in industry, in commerce, in the development in our conception of what the standard of life for the common people should be, in our social service—in all things we are trying to do."

"Why should we not march together at all times? And in this a reality—the crystallised—spirit"

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"I cannot refrain from referring to this city of Dunkirk. Obviously for those of us who were members of the Coalition Cabinet and were responsible for the conduct of war in Britain at that time there arise in the mind very vivid memories."

"I remember the vivid night when Mr. Winston Churchill with all his ministers and chiefs-of-staffs, described to us the events in Belgium and Northern France and when we were told that if we got ten per cent of our troops back we should be fortunate."

Mr. Bevin declared: "We have no use arguing. The meeting broke up and every minister went back to his post to do his job. And we sat doing our work, determined to carry on even if we only got ten per cent back and determined that first and foremost we must bring back the rest."

"But our wonderful and gallant Air Force, the marvellous British Navy and French Navy, the French Air Force and French troops acted in unison until the Admiralty was able to tell us that first and foremost 335,000 men brought from these shores, from this little port alone 335,000 men were rescued to fight against the common enemy."

"Dear Dunkirk is enshrined in our hearts. Dunkirk will always be the unifying force to unite us whatever politicians may do." In his final passage, Mr. Bevin speaking directly to M. Bidault, said: "You, Sir, were the embodiment of that great resistance movement. We are not dealing merely with a secretary but with one who is the embodiment of a new France."

Not Exclusive

Stressing that the Anglo-French Alliance is not an exclusive treaty, Mr. Bevin said: "I think Soviet Russia realises that this is not a western bloc but an attempt to make contribution to a perfect pattern of universal peace. Peace is really indivisible and must be established that way."

Mr. Bevin said that it was gratifying to note that allied nations are now willing, as they were not in 1919, to develop further treaties between themselves and to accept further responsibilities.

"I wish to God," he said, "that Germany would purge herself of the war spirit. It is better to co-operate than to fight."

Mr. Bevin ended with these words: "My country will never leave the side of Britain. The two of us will help to make this world safe for its people."—Reuters.

Reaction

London, Mar. 4.
World reaction to the signing of the Franco-British treaty at Dunkirk has, in general, been favourable, as the following messages from Reuters correspondents indicate:

Turkey: The newspaper, "Ulus"

said: "It is the first step towards a greater union of western Europe and may lead to the united Europe suggested by Mr. Churchill. There is no question but the conclusion of such treaties aimed at strengthening the peace, give pleasure to all peace loving countries."

France: The French man-in-the-street will judge the treaty by the amount of coal he will get next winter to heat his home, wrote the French evening paper "Paris Presse."

It went on "What is the value of the Franco-British pact? It is merely a formal alliance, say some, while others say it is merely a framework which remains to be filled in. It is the truth that all history has proven that the terms of treaties are of a lot less value than the spirit with which they are implemented. Therefore it is in implementation where one will be able fully to appreciate the treaty signed today at Dunkirk."

Russia: Moscow radio tonight

DARK DAYS RECALLED

Dunkirk, Mar. 4.
M. Paul Reynaud, Prime Minister of France in the dark days when the British Army was withdrawing from Europe, recalled those memories today in a telegram to Mr. Winston Churchill: "Being present at the signing of a treaty between our two countries, I recall with emotion how 110,000 French soldiers were snatched here from the jaws of the enemy in 1940, particularly through your indomitable energy and the heroism of the Navy and the Royal Air Force."

briefly reported the signing of the pact but made no comment.—Reuters.

TEXT OF TREATY

Dunkirk, Mar. 4.

The following is the text of the Anglo-French treaty of alliance.

"His Majesty the King of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions, Emperor of India, and the President of the French Republic desiring to confirm in a treaty of alliance the friendship and closest association of interests between the United Kingdom and France; convinced that the conclusion of such a treaty will facilitate a settlement in the spirit of mutual understanding of all questions arising between the two countries; resolved to co-operate closely with one another as well as with the United Nations in preserving peace and resisting aggression. In accordance with the Charter of the United Nations and in particular with Articles 49, 51, 52, 53 and 107; determined to collaborate in measures of mutual assistance in the event of any renewal of German aggression; while considering the most desirable conclusion of the treaty between all powers, having responsibility for action in relation to Germany with the object of preventing Germany becoming again a menace to peace; having regard to the treaties of alliance and mutual assistance which they have respectively concluded with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; intending to strengthen economic relations between the two countries to their mutual advantage and in the interests of general prosperity; have decided to conclude a treaty with those objects."

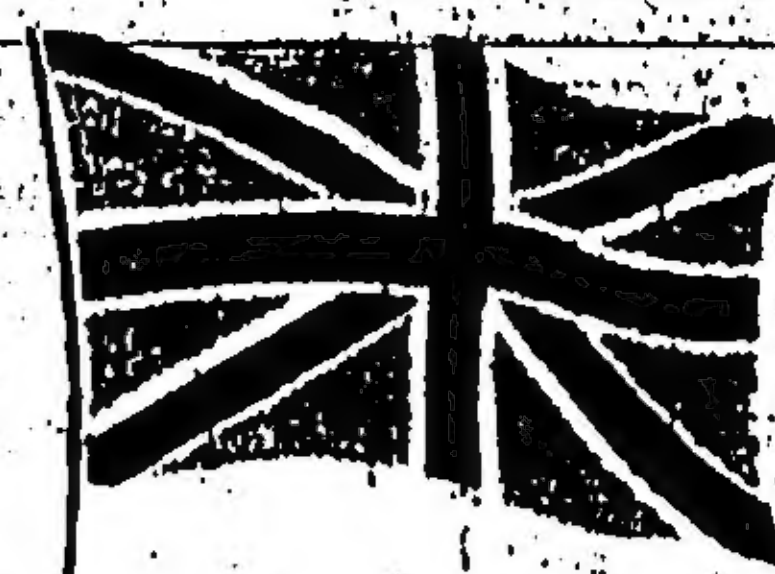
After naming the plenipotentiaries of each country the treaty continues:

Six Articles

"Article 1. Without prejudice to any arrangements that may be made under any treaty concluded between all the powers having responsibility for the action in relation to Germany under Article 107 of the Charter of United Nations, for the purpose of preventing any infringement by Germany of her obligations with regard to disarmament and demilitarisation and generally ensuring that Germany shall not again become a menace to the peace, the high contracting parties will, in the event of any threat to the security of either of them arising from adoption by Germany of a policy of aggression or from action by Germany designed to facilitate such a policy, after consulting with each other and where appropriate with other powers having responsibility for action in relation to Germany, take such agreed action as is best calculated to put an end to this threat."

"Article 2. Should either of the high contracting parties become again involved in hostilities with Germany, either in consequence of an armed attack within the meaning of Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations by Germany, against that party or as a result of agreed action taken against Germany under Article 1 of this treaty or as the result of the enforcement of action taken against Germany by the United Nations Security Council, the other high contracting party will at once give the high contracting party so involved in hostilities, all the military and other support and assistance in his power."

"Article 3. In the event of either high contracting party being prejudiced by the failure of Germany to fulfil any obligation of an economic character imposed on her as a result of an instrument of international law or of any other international agreement, the high contracting party will at once give the high contracting party so prejudiced, all the economic and financial support and assistance in his power."



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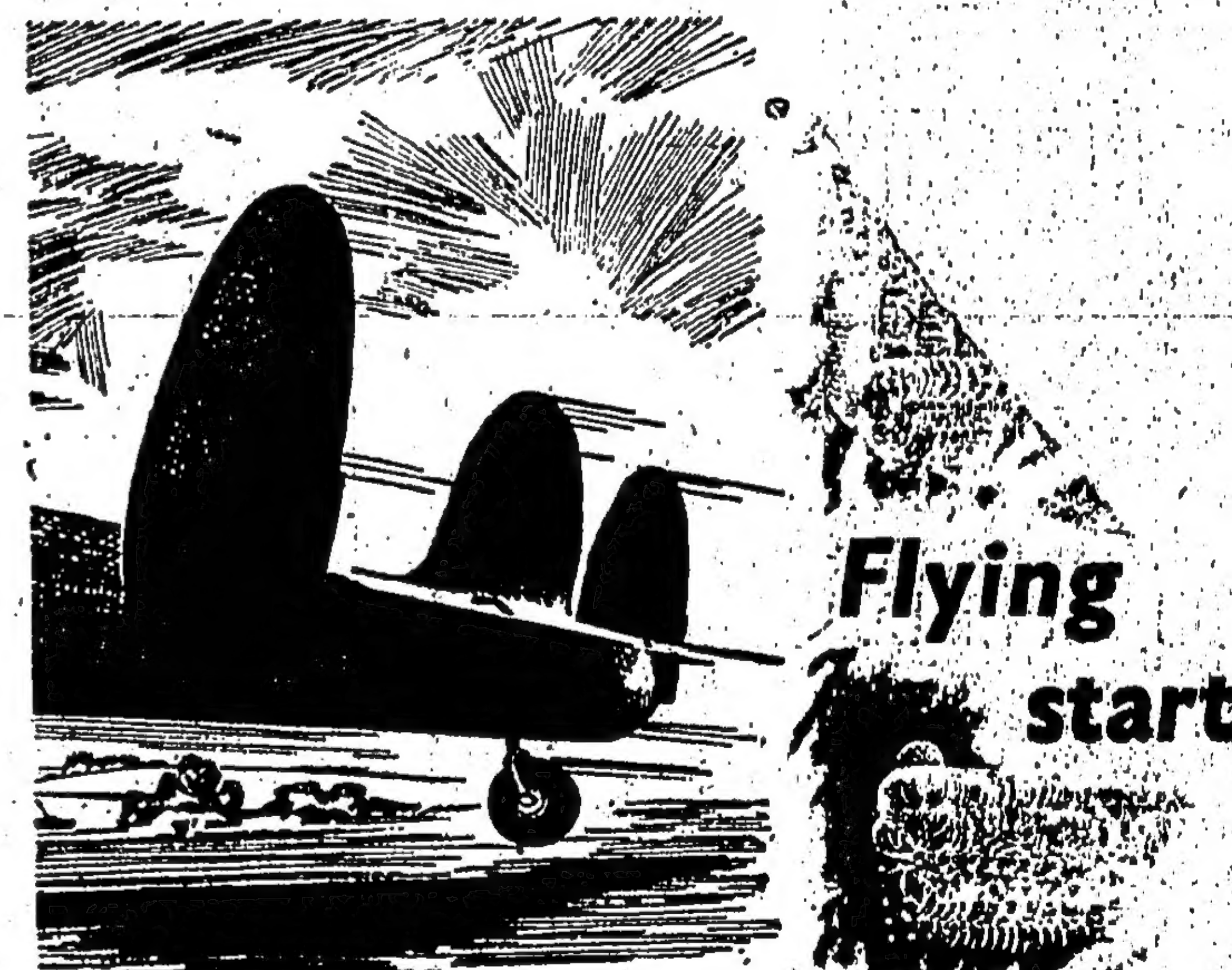
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STEP TOWARDS STABILITY**

Washington, Mar. 4.

Mr. James F. Byrnes, who was Secretary of State during the negotiations which led to the framing of the peace treaties with Italy, Hungary, Bulgaria and Rumania, today urged Senate ratification of the treaties as a step in the direction of world stability and peace.

In a statement to the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, which is beginning consideration of the treaties, he urged that so long as the armistice regime continues, these four defeated nations could not look forward to a future free from the possibility of interference in every phase of their national life.

Mr. Byrnes' statement said: "The United States and British forces in Italy have already been reduced almost to below the effective level. The same cannot be said for the forces of occupation in other countries, which must now leave within 90 days after the entry into force of the treaties."

"Our action in consistently pressing for an agreement upon these treaties has been influenced by our conviction that there could be no return to normal conditions in Europe until the armies of occupation were withdrawn and our realization that they would not be withdrawn in the absence of the peace treaties."

Mr. Byrnes said that making Trieste a free territory represented the choice between

Reconciled

"I am reconciled to the compromise for another reason—my fears as to what would have happened had our proposal been agreed to and Trieste was given to Italy," Mr. Byrnes said. He speculated that rioting would have broken out after the withdrawal of the United States and British forces. "Yugoslavia would then declare that it was necessary to quell the rioting on its border and troops would be sent into Trieste."

**U.S. COAL FOR
BRITAIN?**London, Mar. 4.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, said in the House of Commons today that the Government was carefully considering a suggestion that Britain ascertain whether the United States could spare coal for Britain without reducing allocations to other countries.

Other possibilities also were being considered, Mr. Attlee said during question period. Mr. Attlee last month rejected an offer by President Truman to divert to Britain coal ships bound for other nations.

"A disarmed Italy could not stop them and there probably would be an appeal to the Security Council."

Mr. Byrnes said that Yugoslavia "will realize that there is a difference between encroaching upon the free territory of Trieste, whose integrity and independence are specially guaranteed by the Security Council of the United Nations."

He declared that the four defeated nations might regard some of the treaty clauses as harsh, but they would have the right to apply for UNO membership and, if admitted, "it is possible that revision of some of the more onerous clauses might be achieved."

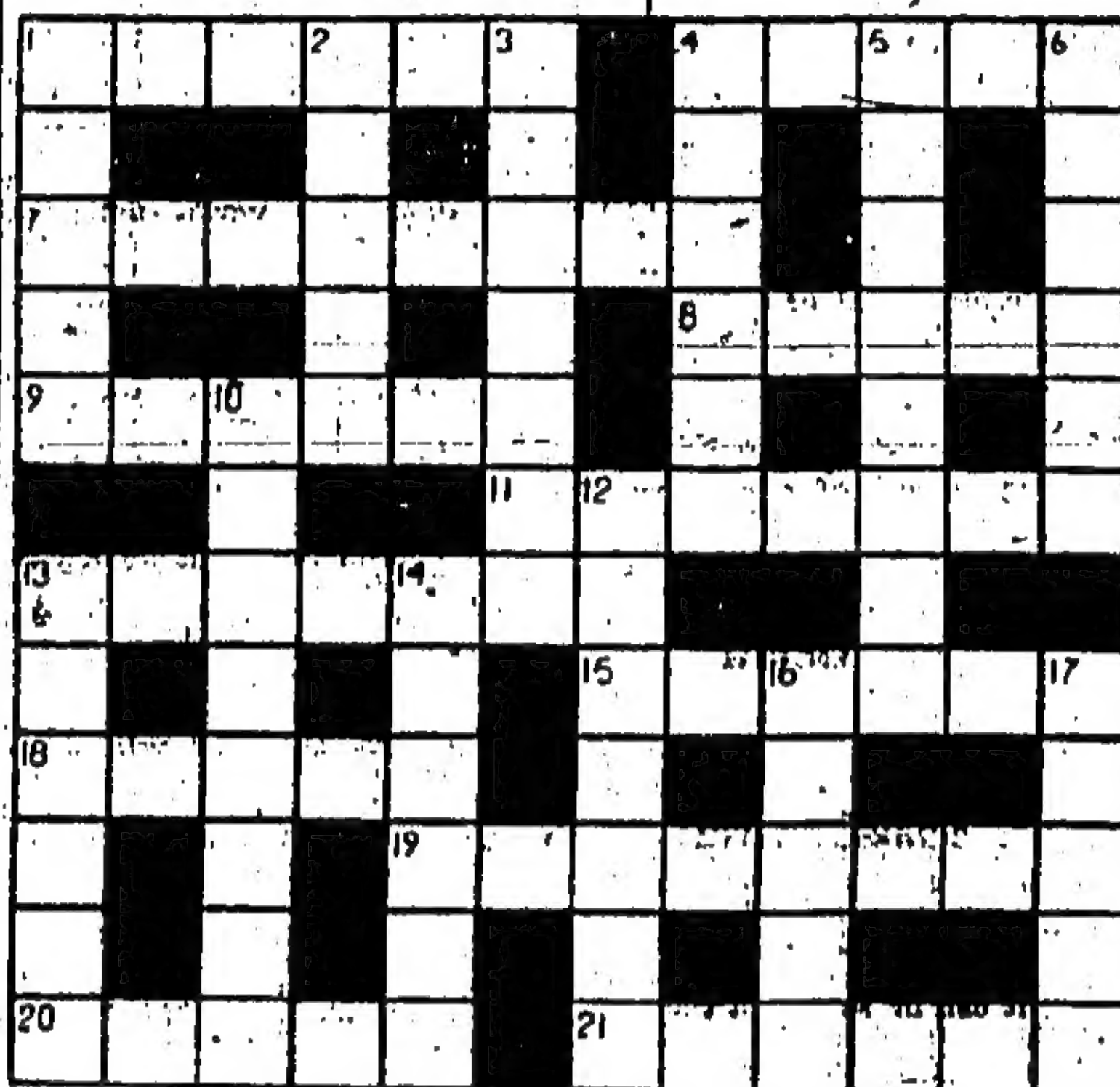
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